ESTROGEN MIMETICS LACKING REPRODUCTIVE TRACT EFFECTS

Abstract of the Disclosure

A method for treating symptoms, diseases and conditions in extra-reproductive tract tissues that are responsive to treatment with estrogen, using triarylethanes of formula (I)

wherein R_1 is $-O(CH_2)_m R_3$ or $-(CH_2)_n R_3$; wherein R_3 is an anionic substituent; m is an integer from 1 to 4; and n is an integer from 0 to 4; and wherein R_2 is either H or -OH. Each of R_1 and R_2 can be either meta or para to its respective phenyl ethyl linkage. Compounds having the formula (I) wherein R_1 is $-O(CH_2)_m R_3$ or $-(CH_2)_n R_3$; R_3 is an anionic substituent; m is 1, 2, 3 or 4; R_2 is H or -OH; and wherein each of R_1 and R_2 is independently meta or para to its respective phenyl ethyl linkage are also provided, with the proviso that R_2 is not para -OH when m is 1 and R_3 is -COOH.

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